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Richland Recycles Day Waste Pesticide Collection Event Set

COLUMBIA—The South Carolina Department of Agriculture is partnering with Richland County to offer South Carolina residents the opportunity to safely dispose of outdated, unusable or unwanted pesticides on Saturday, May 13, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The event will be held at the South Carolina State Fairgrounds.

The pesticide and chemical program is open only to residents and farmers from any SC County. SCDA staff will be on site to monitor pesticide collection and disposal, and will have final authority on acceptance of products.

- Chemical and pesticide quantities accepted will be limited to 2500 pounds of solid and 300 gallons of liquid at no charge.
- Pesticide products accepted include herbicides, insecticides, nematicides, fungicides and similar products used in agricultural production or around the home.
- Rinsate will not be accepted.
- Fertilizer will not be accepted unless it is combined or co-packed with a pesticide such as weed and feed.
- No compressed gas cylinders (metal cylinder with a valve) or empty pesticide containers will be collected.

For more information about the collection, contact SCDA's John Stokes at 803-737-9696 or jstokes@scda.sc.gov or Ken Webb with ECOFLO, Inc., the company handling the disposal, at 336-617-2733 or kwebb@ecoflo.com.

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